## July 2016

Welcome to the July 2016 Washington State Department of Health WIC Vendor e-Bulletin. Please share this with all staff involved in WIC. Keep "Read & Sign" training records at your store. You can find a copy of this document and back issues of recent e-Bulletins on our DOH WIC website: <a href="http://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/WIC/WICRetailers">http://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/WIC/WICRetailers</a>

#### What's New

### Infant Formula Changes – Effective October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

The Washington State WIC Nutrition Program is making changes to the WIC approved infant formula list. Please share this information with all employees involved in WIC at your store(s).

Starting October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Good Start Gentle will no longer be printed on Washington WIC checks. You may continue to see WIC checks with Good Start Gentle through early January 2017. **Always sell what is on the WIC check.** 

Starting October 3<sup>rd</sup>, WIC is adding the following infant formulas to the Washington WIC approved infant formula list:

- Similac Sensitive
- Similac Total Comfort
- Similac for Spit-Up
- Gerber Extensive HA
- EnfaCare Ready to Use (6-packs)



Similac Sensitive WIC Approved



Similac Total Comfort WIC Approved



Similac for Spit-Up WIC Approved



Gerber Extensive HA WIC Approved



EnfaCare RTU (6-packs) WIC Approved

Expect a new WIC infant formula reference document reflecting these changes to arrive via email sometime in September 2016.

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As a reminder, on July 2<sup>nd</sup> the WIC check display line for Alimentum powder formula changed to read "12.1 oz." WIC previously issued checks that read "12.1 or 16 oz."; you may continue to see this appear on WIC checks through October 2016. Clients with these older checks may purchase either size.

### **New WIC Shopping Guide Effective October 2016**

Effective October 2016, Washington WIC will have an updated approved food list and shopping guide. You'll see changes in every food category except milk. New WIC Shopping Guides will be sent to all authorized stores in September 2016. Extra guides will be sent to stores for WIC shoppers.

#### Below are some highlights of the upcoming WIC Shopping Guide changes:

- Additional brands of approved breakfast cereals.
- Inclusion of mixed fruit juices/blends in frozen and 64 oz. containers.
- Inclusion of 100% whole wheat hamburger buns and 100% whole wheat hot dog buns.
- Removal of individual packets of instant oatmeal from cereal category. (Plain oatmeal in cylinders, bags, boxes or bulk is still allowed as a whole grain choice.)
- Removal of 46 oz. containers of apple, grape, grapefruit, orange, and pineapple juices. (46 oz. containers of tomato and vegetable juices are still allowed for women.)
- Updated client and vendor information sections. (i.e. revised vendor section handling of presigned checks)

Review these changes with all employees involved with Washington WIC. An updated UPC reference will be made available upon request – update your Point of Sale (POS) systems prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

### **Acceptable ID for Washington WIC Shoppers**

Identification must be shown when a WIC check is used even if you've known the customer for years. A completed WIC Appointment/ID folder is an acceptable form of ID for WIC transactions. The WIC Appointment/ID folder must include the customer's printed name and signature before the WIC transaction begins. The WIC Appointment/ID folder, when it is filled out correctly, is the only identification required. Another type of ID is required only when the customer doesn't have their WIC Appointment/ID folder, or the printed name and/or signature is missing. The name of the person using the WIC check must be printed below the customer signature box and match the identification.

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### 2016 WIC Vendor Training Schedule

County	Training Locations	2016 Dates/Times
CLARK	Clark County Public Safety Complex 505 Northwest 179 <sup>th</sup> St. Ridgefield, WA 98642	Wednesday, July 20 9:30 AM -11:30AM Capacity 30
DOUGLAS	Fire District #2 HQ 377 Eastmont Avenue East Wenatchee, WA 98802	Tuesday, July 19 10:00 – Noon Capacity: 36
GRANT	Moses Lake Fire Dept. HQ 701 East Third Avenue Moses Lake, WA 98837	Wednesday, July 20 10:00 AM – Noon Capacity: 60
KING	Public Health Seattle – King County 33431 13 <sup>th</sup> Place South Federal Way, WA 98003  Seattle - King County Public Health 2572 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Kent, WA 98030	Tuesday, August 2 10:00 AM – Noon Capacity: 20  Tuesday, August 16 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Capacity 20
KLICKITAT	White Salmon Library 77 NE Wauna Avenue White Salmon, Washington 98672	Thursday, August 4 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Capacity: 20
SAN JUAN	San Juan Island Library 1010 Guard Street Friday Harbor, WA 98250	Wednesday, July 20 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Capacity: 30
THURSTON	WA State Dept. of Health – Plaza Point East Bldg. 310 Israel Road SE, Room 152 & 153 Tumwater, WA 98501	Tuesday, October 25 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM Capacity: 50
WHATCOM	Ferndale Public Library at Pioneer Pavilion 2215 Main St. Ferndale, WA 98248	Tuesday, August 23 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Capacity: 40

### Space in some training locations may be limited. Please pre-register as soon as possible.

To register, contact WIC Vendor Management at 1-800-841-1410, ext. 3615. You may also register by email at <a href="wicretailmanagement@doh.wa.gov">wicretailmanagement@doh.wa.gov</a>. Please provide a contact name, phone number, how many people plan to attend, and the location you are registering for. Please forward this information to your store manager(s). We look forward to seeing you at training!

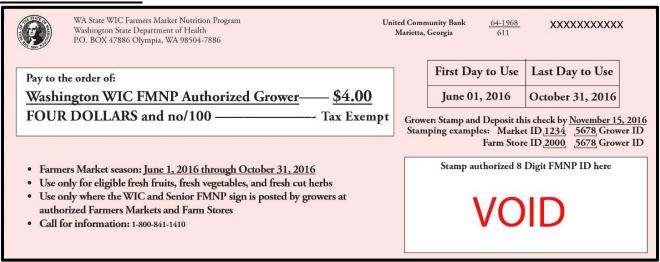
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### **Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP)**

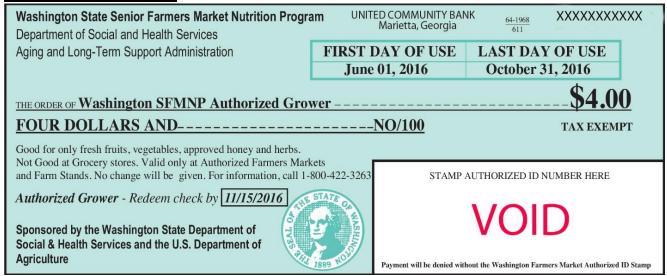
FMNP season is June 1<sup>st</sup> - Oct 31<sup>st</sup> at approved Farmers Markets. Be aware FMNP checks are different from WIC fruit and vegetable checks. <u>Do not accept FMNP checks at your store.</u>

### Do not accept the following 2 check types at your store:

#### **FMNP WIC CHECK**



#### SENIOR FMNP CHECK



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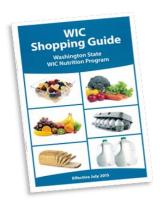
### **Additional WIC Resources for Vendors**

### Online Retailer Application Portal (ORAP) Reminders

- ORAP allows stores to apply for WIC and submit prices online.
- Access ORAP through Secure Access Washington (SAW): <a href="https://secureaccess.wa.gov">https://secureaccess.wa.gov</a>.
- New users must create a SAW login ID. A "role request" (for electronic permission) must be submitted and approved before doing a semi-annual price survey.
- Access the ORAP Vendor User Guide on our website, or by clicking here.
- For help, call 1-800-841-1410 or email: <u>wicretailmanagement@doh.wa.gov</u>.

#### **WIC Vendor Materials and Resources**

If you need additional WIC Shopping Guides, new WIC store stamps, WIC shelf tags, WIC door signs, WIC Check Guards, or WIC training materials for store employees, call us at 1-800-841-1410, ext. 3615. You may also email us at: <a href="mailto:wicretailmanagement@doh.wa.gov">wicretailmanagement@doh.wa.gov</a>.









# Need reports, technical assistance or have a question? Call the WIC Customer Service Desk:

Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 1-800-841-1410 This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

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